

REMARKS

This amendment responds to the Office Action dated February 4, 2008, in which the Examiner rejected claims 30, 32-34, 36-39, 41, 45, 47-50 and 59-61 under 35 U.S.C. § 103, stated that claims 65 and 66 are allowed, and objected to claims 40, 42-44, 51-58 and 62-64 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

As indicated above, objected to claim 40 has been incorporated into claims 30 and 34 and objected to claim 51 has been incorporated into claim 45. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraws the rejection to claims 30, 32-34, 36-39, 41, 45, 47-50 and 59-61 under 35 U.S.C. § 103.

Since objected to claims 42-44, 52-58 and 62-64 depend from an allowable claim, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraws the objection thereto.

Thus, it now appears that the application is in condition for reconsideration and allowance. Reconsideration and allowance at an early date are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner find that the application is not now in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner enters this amendment for purposes of appeal.

CONCLUSION

If for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact, by telephone, the Applicant's undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed within the currently set shortened statutory period, Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 05-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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